



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Agenda

45 Fort Hill Road
Groton, CT 06340-4394
Town Clerk 860-441-6640
Town Manager 860-441-6630

Representative Town Meeting

Moderator Christine Conley, Representatives Karin Adams, Jean-Claude Ambroise, Joseph Baril, Alicia Bauer, Susan Deane-Shinbrot, Luanne E. DeMatto, John A. Espada, Robert M. Garcia, Patrice Granatosky, Dolores Harrell, Karen Hatcher, Conrad F. Heede, Lynn Crockett Hubbard, Matthew G. Longino, Jim Loughlin, Lisa M. Luck, Brandon Marley, Jackie Massett, Bruce A. McDermott, Roscoe Merritt, Scott Meyer, Douglas Monaghan, Kathy Neugent, Scott Newsome, Juliette M. Parker, Richard J. Pasqualini, Jr., Shawn Powers, John F. Scott IV, Jack Sebastian, Richard Semeraro, Bill Smith, Judith Strode, Mark Svencer, Archie C. Swindell, Fred Turnbull, Patricia Wagner, Richard Waselik, Lori A. Watrous, Ivy R. Williams and Jonathan E. Wilson

Wednesday, February 12, 2014

7:30 PM

Groton Senior Center

Regular Meeting

- A. ROLL CALL
- B. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2014
- D. CITIZENS' PETITIONS

This is the portion of the RTM agenda where the RTM welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to ten minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be limited to matters pertinent to Groton. The Moderator, or members through the Moderator, shall ask questions only in order to clarify the speaker's presentation. Responses may be given by the Moderator and/or by the Town Manager. Citizens should make their presentations from the lectern and state their names and addresses for the record.

- E. RECEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS
- F. REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER
 - 1. Financial report
 - 2. Monthly briefing
- G. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
- H. LIAISON REPORTS
- I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. FINANCE - Chairman Granatosky

2013-0298 Professional Services for Recent Bond Authorization Referenda

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM CONTINGENCY TO DEBT SERVICE FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR FAILED BOND AUTHORIZATION REFERENDA

WHEREAS, preparing a bond authorization for referendum requires a lot of work and preparation on staff's part as well as the professional services of the Town's financial advisor and bond counsel, and

WHEREAS, professional services costs associated with long term bonding historically have been

included as part of the financing costs of the bonded project with the principal and interest payments made through the Debt Services expenses, and

WHEREAS, the bond authorization failed at the November 2013 referendum and it is not known when or if another referendum would be held on the Police Station Upgrade or the Flanders Road Utility Upgrades, and

WHEREAS, since no approved projects exist to cover these costs, the payment of these professional services will be incurred by the Debt Service function which will exceed its appropriation without a transfer of funds, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes a transfer of funds in the amount of \$14,650 from the General Fund's Contingency function to the Debt Service function.

Refer to RTM.

Legislative History

12/19/2013	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the W
12/23/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
<i>Director of Finance Sal Pandolfo described the request for a transfer of \$14,650 from Contingency to Debt Service to cover costs associated with the November referenda that failed. RTM approval will be necessary.</i>			
12/23/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
1/7/2014	Town Council	Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken	
1/7/2014	Town Council	Adopted and Referred	Representative Town Meeting
1/8/2014	Representative Town Meeting	Referred	RTM Finance Committee

2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES -Chairman Semeraro

3. EDUCATION - Chairman Swindell

4. RECREATION - Chairman Svencer

5. PUBLIC SAFETY - Chairman Pasqualini

6. PUBLIC WORKS - Chairman Heede

7. RULES & PROCEDURES - Chairman Ambroise

J. BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

K. OTHER BUSINESS

L. ADJOURNMENT